DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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December 10, 1986

Letter No.: 86-74

TO: All County Welfare Directors

All County Administrative Officers

SUBJECT: LYNCH V. RANK (PICKLE) HANDBOOK

The attached Pickle handbook contains the changes that have been made for use when completing the Lynch v. Rank (Pickle Amendment) eligibility determinations during 1986. These instructions combined with the information provided in All County Welfare Directors Letter 86-64 are to be used when completing the annual reviews during December 1986, and January and February 1987.

At this time, county welfare departments (CWDs) may discard all previously issued Pickle handbooks. All of the necessary information for completing a Pickle eligibility determination is contained in this new handbook.

Additional copies will be available soon and will be sent to everyone on the Department of Health Services mailing list who currently receives a Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual. CWDs should notify Kristi Banion prior to 1/1/87 if the Handbooks are to be sent to other than the Medi-Cal Manual mailing list. At that time please provide us with the number of Handbooks your county will need and the name and address of the person to whom they should be sent.

This handbook will be updated annually, in March, to reflect the SSI/SSP changes and the new manuals will be distributed at the time of the mandatory annual Pickle training.

The following significant changes have been made since the previous handbooks were issued and are included in this handbook:

<u>Section</u>	Page	Change
Determinations	1	(2) <u>eligible</u> <u>for</u> and received RSDI and SSI
	1	(4) delete "and is currently not entitled to receive SSI and/or SSP benefits."
	1	NOTE:

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<u>Section</u>	Page	Change
	1	Paragraph 3 was added
	2	Paragraph 1 added
	2	Paragraph 4dded
Definitions	1	Child - 2 - Parental deeming includes income and resources
	2	Couple - add #4. Any two persons who are representing themselves to the community as a couple.
Screening Process	1	Paragraph 3 has been changed to say - If an applicant/ beneficiary makes a written request that his/her name be removed from the list to receive future notification eliminate that name from the tickler system.
Resource Eligibility	2	Paragraph 1 - <u>Unknown</u> <u>Resources</u> was added
d	2	Paragraph 3 - Countable Resources is revised
	2	Paragraph 4- #1. Last sentence was added.
	3	Deeming of Resources has been revised.
	4,5,6	Transfer of Resources has been added.
Financial Eligibility	1	Financial Eligibility - Paragraph 1 - the last two sentences have been revised.
In-Kind Support and Maintenance		This entire section has been added.

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Section	Page	Change
Procedures	1	#4 deletedand is currently not entitled to receive SSI and/or SSP benefits.
	2	Sentence l - inserted "except those in long term care"
	3	New first paragraph has been added.
	5	Added #4
	8	The first four paragraphs have been revised.

Any questions concerning the Pickle Handbook or the Lynch v. Rank lawsuit should be directed to Kristi Banion at (916) 324-4961/ATSS 454-4961.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Frank S. Martucci, Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

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cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons

Medi-Cal Program Consultants

Expiration Date: December 31, 1987

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